

# Americas Marine Accident Investigators' Forum Eighth Annual Meeting



# Welcome to NTSB Training Center









# The Notification







# The Board



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# Agency wide: 2017

- 70 Board adopted products
  - Accident reports
  - Accident briefs
  - Safety Studies
  - Special Investigation Reports
  - Safety Alerts
  - Recommendation letters
- Over 1,200 accident briefs approved under delegated authority (all modes)
- 185 Safety Recommendations issued
- 118 Safety Recommendations closed acceptably





# Two critical elements of accident investigations

## Independence

- the investigation is independent of outside influences

## Transparency

- allowing the public to see inside the investigative processes so a reasonable person can draw the same conclusions as you did



June 17, 2017



August 21, 2017



Artist's rendering of *El Faro* at final rest  
based on data collected during search and recovery missions

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